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ANTIGENS AND THEIR USES

Re: Request for Reconsideration for a Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent.

Respecting the alleged errors noted in your request, the examiner has considered applicants' arguments, but does not find them persuasive for the reasoning. Please see attached Detailed Action.

In view of the foregoing your request is again hereby denied.

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicants' Second Request for Certificate of Correction under 37 CFR 1.323, received 25 January 2008, is acknowledged.

Response to Argument

2. Applicants argue that the denial of the first Certificate of Correction is improper. there is a common basis for the sequences in the Figures and Sequence Listings: the informal drawings filed in the parent application. Thus, a Certificate of Correction for correcting errors in the Sequence Listings does not introduce new matter and is equally grantable as a Certificate of Correction for correcting errors in the Figures.

The examiner has considered applicants' arguments, but does not find them persuasive for the reasoning put forth in the response to the first request. The basis of that response was the Computer Readable File and paper Sequence Listing submitted at the time of filing. The correction of the figures was approved based upon the originally filed CRF and paper Sequence Listing. However, the request for correction of SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:2 was not approved because the originally filed CRF and paper copy lists the sequences, as printed in the Patent.

Thus, this request for Correction is denied.



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